

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 2128 - HB 2332

February 26, 2018

SUMMARY OF BILL: Establishes a redistricting committee which, prior to January of 2021, and every ten years thereafter, shall hold at least one public meeting within each grand division to solicit input from individuals, groups, and communities on the development of a redistricting plan.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures –

Exceeds \$3,300/FY20-21 and Every Ten Years Thereafter

Assumptions:

- The proposed language requires the redistricting committee to be a standing, select, special, or ad hoc committee of the House of Representatives, Senate, or both; however requirements for the number of members of such committee are not determined.
- It is estimated a minimum of three members of the General Assembly, one from each grand division, will be designated to serve on any redistricting committee appointed with the committee meeting a minimum of three times outside of regular legislative sessions.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 3-1-106(a), each member of the General Assembly shall be paid for the member's expenses in attending legislative committee meetings concerning state business and duties of a legislator.
- Such members will be paid a rate of \$229 per day for meals and lodging, and an average of \$400 total for mileage reimbursement per member as meetings will take place in different locations.
- Member per diem and travel reimbursement will result in an increase in state expenditures estimated to exceed \$3,261 [(\$229 reimbursement per meeting x 3 meetings x 3 members) + (\$400 mileage reimbursement per member x 3 members)] beginning in FY20-21 and occurring every ten years thereafter.
- The proposed language would require any meetings or plans of the redistricting committee be posted on a designated page of the General Assembly's website. It is estimated such posting of notice can be accomplished with current resources; therefore any increase in state expenditures for such posting is estimated to be not significant.
- The proposed language would require, prior to adoption of a redistricting plan, a 30-day period for public comment. It is estimated any proposed plan would be available at the start of a legislative session and the 30-day prescribed waiting period would not result in

an increased number of days that members are reimbursed; therefore any increase in state expenditures is estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Krista M. Lee". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Krista M. Lee, Executive Director

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